Noise Pollution, Women and Child issues, awareness programmes on HIV/AIDS, Environment Protection Programmes, New Education Policy, Legal Aid and Legal Literacy etc.

Press Information Bureau (PIB) has launched several media campaigns for various departments for the advantage of common man. Social welfare schemes like Antyodaya Anna Yojana, Food for Work Programme and other schemes related to food security have also been given wide publicity. Special publicity thrust was given on important issues and occasions like Literacy Day, Teachers Day, Minority Education, Sarva Siksha Abhiyan, Women and Child Development, Children Right etc.

Directorate of Field Publicity (DFP) utilizes inter-personal communication to take Government policies to the masses. The Department has carried out publicity on issues like national integration, communal harmony, health and family welfare, social justice and empowerment, human rights and child right and rural development.

Films Division has produced and released films on themes like Mahila Samriddhi Yojana, Rojgar Yojana for educated unemployed youth, provision of drinking water, national integration, films on health and family welfare, panchayati raj, education for all, agricultural policies etc. and films related to national integration and nation building.

DAVP has the mandate to undertake the publicity of the policies of the Government Ministries and Departments and brings out printed publicity material like posters, brochures, booklets leaflets advertisements in newspapers, hoarding, banners, exhibitions for the client Ministries and Departments.

Publication Division through its journal Yojana and Kurukshetra have been highlighting issues relating to agriculture and rural development, employment guarantee etc. Employment News weekly in English, Hindi and Urdu also carries articles on major developments issues, employment generation schemes etc.

Registration of newspapers and periodicals

4104. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA:
SHRMATI PREMA CARIAPPA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has come to Government's notice that the editors throughout the country are facing a lot of inconvenience in getting their titles approved as newspapers/periodicals are registered with the Registrar of Newspapers situated in Delhi;

(b) whether Government have proposed any action to establish regional offices in the capital of all the States; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) Government has not received any written complaint regarding the inconvenience in getting the titles verified. However, due to some technical fault in the software/hardware and not having a full time Press Registrar, there has been a pendency of about 40 days in verification of titles. To rectify the technical fault and streamline the system, NIC's technical support is being taken. Recently a full time Press Registrar has also been posted to facilitate work in the office of Registrar of Newspapers for India.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

DD news telecast from Chhattisgarh

†4105. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) by when the news would be telecast on Doordarshan from Raipur, the capital of Chhattisgarh;

(b) whether it can be watched in all the districts of the State simultaneously;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the details of the steps being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) Prasar Bharati has informed that Doordarshan Kendra, Raipur is already telecasting a regional news bulletin daily between 7 and 7.15 pm.

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.